payment that would otherwise be payable for a cost reporting period.

(B) Any amount by which the hospital's current year Medicare inpatient operating and capital prospective payment system payments (excluding, if applicable, 75 percent of the hospital's operating prospective payment system disproportionate share payments) exceed its Medicare inpatient operating and capital costs is deducted from the additional payment that would otherwise be payable for the cost reporting period. For purposes of calculating the offset, the costs and payments for services that are not subject to the hospital inpatient prospective payment system are excluded.

(h) Limit on exception payments. Total estimated payments under the exception process may not exceed 10 percent of the total estimated capital prospective payments (exclusive of hold-harmless payments for old capital) for the same fiscal year.

 $[59\ FR\ 45399,\ Sept.\ 1,\ 1994,\ as\ amended\ at\ 62\ FR\ 46031,\ Aug.\ 29.\ 1997]$

§412.352 Budget neutrality adjustment.

For FY 1992 through FY 1995, HCFA will determine an adjustment to the hospital-specific rate and the Federal rate proportionately so that the estimated aggregate payments under this subpart for inpatient hospital capital costs each fiscal year will equal 90 percent of what HCFA estimates would have been paid for capital-related costs on a reasonable cost basis under §413.130 of this chapter.

SPECIAL RULES FOR PUERTO RICO HOSPITALS

§412.370 General provisions for hospitals located in Puerto Rico.

Except as provided in §412.374, hospitals located in Puerto Rico are subject to the rules in this subpart governing the prospective payment system for inpatient hospital capital-related costs.

§412.374 Payments to hospitals located in Puerto Rico.

(a) Payments for capital-related costs to hospitals located in Puerto Rico that are paid under the prospec-

tive payment system are equal to the sum of the following:

- (1) 50 percent of a Puerto Rico capital rate based on data from Puerto Rico hospitals only, which is determined in accordance with procedures for developing the Federal rate; and
- (2) 50 percent of the Federal rate, as determined under § 412.308.
- (b) Effective for fiscal year 1998, the Puerto Rico capital rate described in paragraph (a) of this section in effect on September 30, 1997, is reduced by 15.68 percent.
- (c) For discharges occurring on or after October 1, 1997 through September 30, 2002, the Puerto Rico capital rate described in paragraph (a) of this section in effect on September 30, 1997 is further reduced by 2.1 percent.

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